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Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B", and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 21 December 1946. Summarized in Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the half month period 1—15 December 1946 (veterinary reports are submitted semi-monthly).

Although the reported cases of tuberculosis and syphilis have increased over the previous week, there have been no significant increases in communicable diseases. Scabies and typhoid fever have decreased for two consecutive weeks with the incidence of typhoid fever the lowest since the first week of July. For three consecutive weeks diphtheria has decreased. Whooping cough has decreased by over two hundred cases during the current week with a noticeable decrease in both Land Bavaria and Land Greater Hesse. The most significant decrease in incidence was in measles with 1715 cases reported in the Zone last week as compared with 1050 this week. This was mostly due to the changed situation in Land Bavaria with 1254 cases last week and only 572 during the current week.

Hospitalization:

In addition to the shortage of hospital beds for the treatment of tuberculosis and venereal disease, there is now an increasing shortage of beds for the treatment of mental diseases. In Land Wuerttemberg-Baden an institution at Wiesloch, near Heidelberg, has been designated for the temporary hospitalization of approximately 200 insane DP patients prior to repatriation. Last September, the Hospital Survey Committee of Wuerttemberg-Baden started surveys of the hospital situation and requirements of all Kreise within the Land. The surveys have been completed recently and a very commendable report has been received by the Land Military Government.

Animal Diseases:

Swine erysipelas and fowl pest have continued to decline in incidence during this period. One case of foot-and-mouth disease has been reported from Kreis Alsfeld, Regierungsbezirk Hessen and one from Kreis Dill, Regierungsbezirk Wiesbaden in Greater Hesse. The outbreak of this disease in Regierungsbezirk Unterfranken, Bavaria has increased slightly as predicted but has been confined to four Kreise. As a measure of controlling the spread of this outbreak, the Bavarian government has forbidden importation of ruminants and swine into Bavaria and the export of the same species from the infected Regierungsbezirk to other Bavarian areas.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany
for Week ending 21 December 1946

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																							c: Cases	d: Deaths					
		Cases, Deaths		Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies			Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
TOTAL US Zone	17,331,208	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	823 40	167 3	804 133	169 18	382 11	4 1	4 2	1648 —	908 1	63 7	17 1	14 2	2 —	3 —	12 —	3385 —	—	1 —	1 —	34 —	1050 2		
Unterfranken	965,437	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	37 2	2 43	14 4	23 1	—	—	—	34 41	6 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	299 —	—	—	—	—	—	21 —	
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,237,075	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	124 4	13 1	100 9	63 4	1 —	1 —	—	167 123	13 4	1 —	—	—	1 —	—	—	619 —	—	1 —	1 —	—	—	312 —	
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,949,579	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	56 8	8 83	14 24	—	—	—	—	124 60	6 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	532 —	—	—	—	—	50 1		
Schwaben	1,148,811	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	44 6	12 5	52 2	71 2	1 —	3 1	—	87 56	6 2	—	—	—	—	2 —	—	181 —	—	—	—	—	61 1		
Oberbayern	2,264,923	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	71 5	23 26	138 5	18 —	14 —	1 —	—	249 104	23 5	—	—	3 1	—	—	—	381 —	—	—	—	—	128 —		
Kassel	1,189,950	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	48 1	13 7	43 2	9 —	29 —	—	—	193 59	1 —	—	—	—	1 —	—	—	149 —	—	—	—	—	25 —		
Wiesbaden	1,504,781	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	47 3	19 —	83 11	24 1	22 —	—	—	220 150	2 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	40 —	—	—	—	1 10	—		
Hessen	1,213,884	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	57 3	7 1	44 3	2 —	33 —	—	—	122 42	—	—	—	1 —	—	—	11 346	—	—	—	—	33 240	—		
Baden	1,313,112	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	76 2	21 —	63 7	15 —	44 2	1 —	1 1	80 44	3 —	—	—	—	—	1 —	—	499 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Wuerttemberg	2,098,214	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	98 4	31 12	61 3	11 2	48 —	—	—	149 68	2 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	166 —	—	—	—	—	203 —	—	
Bremen Enclave	484,431	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	76 1	2 —	31 3	10 —	11 —	—	—	72 41	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 173	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	961,011	P	P	—	—	—	—	—	89 1	16 1	63 31	26 3	—	—	—	151 —	120 —	1 —	—	7 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

+ No data submitted.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week ending 21 December 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: Cases d: Deaths																											
			Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total	17,331,208	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	823	167	804	169	382	4	4	1648	908	63	17	14	2	3	12	3385	—	1	1	34	1050	
US Zone		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	3	133	18	11	1	2	—	1	7	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Bavaria	8,565,825	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	332	58	416	72	195	3	3	661	384	54	7	4	1	2	—	2012	—	1	1	—	572	
Greater Hesse	3,908,615	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	1	59	9	7	1	1	—	1	7	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	275	
		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	152	39	170	35	84	—	—	535	251	3	—	1	1	—	11	535	—	—	—	34	275	
		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	1	21	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Wuerttemberg	3,411,326	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	174	52	124	26	92	1	1	229	112	5	10	2	—	1	—	665	—	—	—	—	203	
Baden		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	19	3	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Bremen	484,431	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	76	2	31	10	11	—	—	72	41	—	—	—	—	—	1	173	—	—	—	—	—	
Enclave		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin	961,011	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	89	16	63	26	+	—	—	151	120	1	—	7	—	—	—	+	—	—	1	—	+	
(US Sector)		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	31	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Case Rate Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Total US Zone	17,331,208		—	—	—	—	—	—	24.69	5.01	24.12	5.07	11.46	.12	.12	49.44	27.24	1.89	.51	.42	.06	.09	.36	101.55	—	.03	.03	1.02	31.50
Bavaria	8,565,825		—	—	—	—	—	—	20.15	3.52	25.25	4.37	11.84	.18	.18	40.12	23.31	3.28	.42	.24	.06	.12	—	122.13	—	.06	.06	—	34.72
Greater Hesse	3,908,615		—	—	—	—	—	—	20.22	5.19	22.61	4.66	11.17	—	—	71.16	33.38	.40	—	.13	.13	—	1.46	71.16	—	—	—	4.52	36.58
Wuerttemberg- Baden	3,411,326		—	—	—	—	—	—	26.22	7.92	18.96	3.96	14.02	.15	.15	34.50	17.07	.76	.52	.30	—	.15	—	101.35	—	—	—	—	30.94
Bremen Enclave	484,431		—	—	—	—	—	—	81.58	2.15	31.28	10.73	11.80	—	—	77.28	44.01	—	—	—	—	—	1.07	105.70	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin US Sector)	961,011		—	—	—	—	—	—	48.16	8.66	34.09	14.07	+	—	—	81.71	64.33	.54	—	3.79	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	+	+

+ No data submitted

APPENDIX "C"

Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week ending 21 December 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Total US Zone	17,331,208	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.69	5.01	24.12	5.07	11.46	.12	.12	49.44	27.24	1.89	.51	.42	.06	.09	.36	101.55	—	.03	.08	1.02	31.50
Unterfranken	965,437	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.93	1.08	23.16	7.54	12.39	—	—	18.31	22.08	3.23	.54	—	—	—	—	161.04	—	—	—	—	11.31
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,237,075	—	—	—	—	—	—	28.82	3.02	23.24	2.09	14.64	.23	—	38.81	28.59	3.02	.93	.23	.23	—	—	143.86	—	.23	.23	—	72.51
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,949,579	—	—	—	—	—	—	14.94	2.13	22.14	3.73	6.40	—	—	33.07	16.00	1.60	—	—	—	—	—	141.88	—	—	—	—	13.34
Schwaben	1,148,811	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.91	5.43	23.54	7.69	32.13	.45	1.36	39.38	25.35	2.72	.91	—	—	.91	—	81.92	—	—	—	—	27.61
Oberbayern	2,264,923	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.30	5.28	31.68	4.13	3.21	.23	—	57.17	23.88	5.28	—	.69	—	—	—	87.48	—	—	—	—	29.39
Kassel	1,189,950	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.98	5.68	18.79	3.93	12.67	—	—	84.34	25.78	.44	—	.44	—	—	—	65.11	—	—	—	—	10.93
Wiesbaden	1,504,781	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.24	6.57	28.68	8.29	7.60	—	—	76.03	51.84	.69	—	—	—	—	—	13.82	—	—	.35	3.46	
Hessen	1,213,884	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.42	3.00	18.85	.86	14.14	—	—	52.26	17.99	—	—	.43	—	—	4.71	148.21	—	—	14.14	102.81	
Baden	1,313,112	—	—	—	—	—	—	30.10	8.32	24.95	5.94	17.42	.40	.40	31.68	17.42	1.19	.56	.40	—	.40	—	197.50	—	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,098,214	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.28	7.68	15.12	2.73	11.89	—	—	36.92	16.85	.50	.25	.25	—	—	—	41.13	—	—	—	—	50.30
Bremen Enclave	484,431	—	—	—	—	—	—	81.58	2.15	33.28	.07	11.80	—	—	77.28	44.01	—	—	—	—	—	1.07	195.76	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	961,011	—	—	—	—	—	—	48.16	8.66	34.09	14.07	+	—	—	81.71	64.93	.54	—	3.79	—	—	—	+	—	—	+	—	+

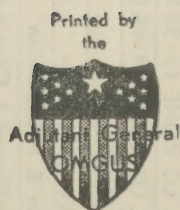
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APPENDIX "D"

Incidence of Communicable Animal Diseases in United States Zone of Germany for period 1-15 Dec. 1946

Figures are numbers of farms newly infected during the period

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Regierungsbezirk	Anthrax	Blackleg	Cholera of pigs	Cholera of fowl	Cottal vesicular exanthema of cattle	Contagious pleuropneumonia of cattle	Dourine of horses	Encephalomyelitis of pigs	Encephalomyelitis of horses	Erysipelas of pigs	Foot-and-mouth disease	Glanders	Infectious abortion of cattle	Infectious abortion of sheep	Infectious anemia of horses	Malignant edema of cattle	Plague of fowls	Pox of sheep	Rabies	Scabies of cattle	Scabies of horses	Scabies of sheep	Strangles of horses	Trichomoniasis of cattle	Tuberculosis of cattle	
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